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1. Neptun-Werft, Rostock, which is guarded by Russian troops, is controlled by Russian officers. Twenty Russians supervise 3,000 German workers. Working hours are from 0800 to 1700 hours.
2. Four destroyers, three of which were German in origin, were observed in the harbor. The destroyer Z-12 was equipped with four 137mm guns, two 37mm AA guns, two 20mm AA guns, and eight torpedo barrels. The crew strength was approximately 115 to 130 men. Two of the destroyers belonged to the Narvik Class. They appeared to have old equipment; only the caliber of the guns was changed from 50mm to 150mm. Their speed is reported to be 42 to 45 knots. The Russian destroyer "Sylnin", smaller than the Narvik Class, with a speed of 34 knots, was equipped with four 122mm guns, two 40mm guns, two 40mm AA guns, six aircraft machine guns, and six torpedo barrels. The crews of the two Narvik Class ships and the "Sylnin" number approximately 280 men respectively. The "Sylnin" was constructed in Leningrad in 1937.
3. The following small craft were observed in the dockyard at Rostock:
  - a. One torpedo boat was equipped with four 105mm guns, two 20mm guns, four machine guns, one 45mm cannon,
  - b. Eight small wooden mine-sweepers with a crew of 18 to 20 men and a speed of 14 to 16 knots were equipped with one 45mm cannon and two aircraft machine guns. Their repairs are scheduled for completion by 15 August 1947.
  - c. Three mine-sweepers, numbered T-711, T-713, and T-719, were equipped with one 75mm gun, one 45mm cannon, and four AA guns. They each carry a crew of 45 men.
4. The former Czar's ship "Polarstern" is scheduled to be rebuilt on 15 November 1947 as a mother ship for submarines. It will be armed with three 75mm guns, three 40mm AA guns, and four machine guns.
5. The former Finish dredge "Mariensiel" is awaiting sailing orders.
6. There are two training ships in the dockyard with a variable number of students on board.

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7. On 8 July 1947 a 12,000 ton freighter departed from Rostock with a heavy cargo supposedly bound for Dubrovnik on the Dalmatian Coast. Another freighter of 8,000 tons, loaded with guns and cars, is reported to have left for the Balkans on 8 June 1947.

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